GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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UNSC SANCTIONS ON IRAN
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) has put any sanctions on Iran to curb its nuclear programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has shown its displeasure against the sanctions imposed on Iran for its peaceful nuclear programme;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the stand taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) the extent to which the relations of both the countries are likely to be affected as a result of such sanctions?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Yes. The UN Security Council unanimously adopted Resolution 1737 under Article 41 of Chapter VII of the UN Charter on 23 December 2006.

(b) The resolution obliges member States to prevent the supply, sale or transfer of all items which could contribute to Iran's enrichment-related, reprocessing or heavy water related activities, or to the development of nuclear weapon delivery systems. Provision of any technical assistance or training, financial assistance, investment, brokering or other services, and the transfer of financial resources or services, related to the supply, sale, transfer, manufacture or use of these items is banned as is their procurement from Iran. Member States are to prevent proliferation-sensitive specialised teaching or training of Iranian nationals, and also exercise vigilance regarding the entry into or transit through their territories of individuals engaged in or providing support for Iran's proliferation sensitive nuclear activities or for the development of nuclear weapon delivery systems. An Annex to the resolution lists persons and entities involved in these activities. The resol!

ution also requires States to freeze immediately the funds, other financial assets and economic resources owned or controlled by the persons and entities designated in the Annex, as well as additional persons or entities designated by the UNSC or by the Sanctions Committee set up by the Resolution.

(c) & (d) Question does not arise as the implementation of the resolution is mandatory for all member States.

(e) Question does not arise as there is no nuclear and missile related trade between India and Iran.